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For: CHARACTERISING NUCLEIC )  
ACIDS )



) Group Art Unit: 1653

) Examiner: Unassigned

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed. The remaining documents were cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 10, 2000. A copy of the PCT Search Report is enclosed.

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To assist the Examiner, the document is listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialled copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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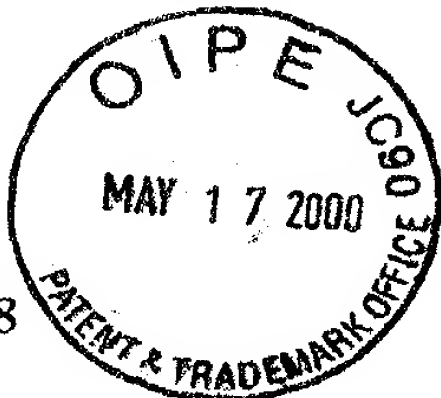
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- ☒ No additional fee for submission of an IDS is required.
- ☐ The fee of \$240.00 (126) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is also enclosed.
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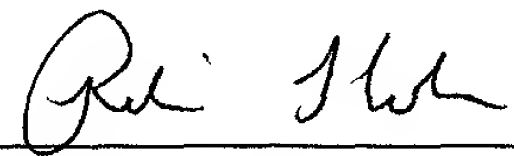
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